

Feel like hiring a 'Window Genie?'



Mike Angle (right), newest Window Genie business owner near Mooresville, talks to one of his employees, Eric Bemish, before they go out on a job. Their purple vans with the big genie on each one are hard to miss. Mike and his wife, Karen own the franchise and live in Guilford Township. Photo by Amy Hillenburg.

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It's time to get out and clean windows, gutters, tile and grout. But residents don't have to put on the work gloves and get out the ladders themselves with the Window Genie close by. Karen and Mike Angle and their crew in the bright purple Genie vans have successfully begun a Window Genie franchise out of their home in Guilford Township near Plainfield.

What once was only available to residents in Zionsville is now available to customers in Mooresville and Morgan County, Camby, Hendricks County and clear to the north side of Brownsburg. The Angles have also responded to jobs in Greenwood. Window Genie is based out of Cincinnati.

The Angles began their business in February and found the corporate officials very responsive to

their needs and willing to come on-site to train them. Window Genie crews not only clean windows inside and out, they also clean decks, concrete, exteriors of homes, tile and grout, custom window blinds and screens, gutters, window screens, chandeliers and roofs.

Karen Angle said they also offer concrete sealing, window tinting and safety/security films and gutter protection. Customers can get free estimates and can contact them online or by phone.

"We do residential and commercial cleaning," Karen Angle said. "About 75 percent of our business is residential. The cost depends on the size of the home or building and what services are needed. But we do have a package specially priced for customers who want us to come three or four times a year."

Angle said the window cleaning is a three-step process, where built-up dirt, muddy rain and bird drop-

pings are removed. This takes a little longer than a regular cleaning, but windows stay clean longer, according to the Window Genie brochure.

"We can stay busy all year long because window cleaning can be done in just over 30 degrees, and we can clean tile, blinds, grout and disinfect kitchens or tint windows any time of the year," Angle said.

On this day, Ken Fisk, a corporate officer, was doing a training session with the Angles' crew. He said the company is hoping to open up more franchises in central and southern Indiana in the coming year.

Karen Angle said her husband left his job as a facility manager for an aviation repair company to start Window Genie. She still works at another job, but since the couple only has one child left at home, she can help her husband in his business as well. They have five children between them and four grandchildren.

Angle said they keep reg-

ular business hours Monday through Friday, but take phonecalls and e-mails on the weekends. They've lived in Guilford Township four years and love the natural beauty and quiet of the area.

They invested in their own business vans and had them wrapped in a Genie design that can't be missed on the road. Angle said they are planning to bring them to the Quaker Parade and the parade in Brownsburg.

The Angles also have a way to contribute to the community. For every referral a customer gives them, they donate \$5 to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Of course, customers can always donate more on their own if they like.

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